

Your Weekend Edition

Today's Weather

Clear and warm this afternoon. Highest 78 to 84. Fair and cooler tonight. Lowest 62 to 66. Fair tomorrow morning with increasing afternoon cloudiness and showers likely by evening. Highest 75 to 80 degrees.

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Beauty Wave



Nancy Nemeth, Miss Levittown of 1957, waves "So long" to her friends and neighbors as she readies to leave for her weekend prize trip to El Pocono dude ranch in Thornhurst. The 16-year-old queen was accompanied by her younger brother, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nemeth, 15 Bald Cypress Lane. Her suitcase was another prize. (Courtesy-Times Photo)

118 Families Flee Mystery Trench

FARNWORTH, England (UP)—Public works crews and firemen manned pumps around the clock

Good Evening!

It's the humidity.

The sky's full of it, as all perspiratin' brows will testify. Just like summer again — and hey, is still IS summer and will be until Monday a week when at long last autumnal equinox arrives.

Big afternoon and evening in Southampton as the Bucks County Firemen's association hold its annual parade. Well sir, the weatherman said the showers were to be showered by noon.

What you'll be noting most elsewhere in Lower Bucks during the p.m. will be the parade of lawnmowers. Simply amazing how the brown has become green again.

One more muscle-stiffening, back-breaking piloting of the grass-cutters should nearly do it. Then you stand by for the falling leaves.

Philips drop another close one to the Redlegs, 8-7. That's all.

Let's get the football season started. We're anxious to see if Penn is going to be as good this year as the experts think, after that series of devastating seasons, and if the Eagles will be as bad as some of their exhibition games are indicating.

Also the raccoon coats are supposed to be making a comeback. It'll be interesting to know whether they're really as ludicrous as we remember 'em from the much publicized rip-roaring 20's.

The speed limit will be 100 miles an hour a few years hence, says an expert. Maybe now's the time for drivers to start slowing down to get used to the idea.

A thing of beauty is annoyed forever.

If you're driving during the weekend, be mighty careful, won't you?

Go to church tomorrow,

SMITH DRAWS LIFE FOR SLAYING OF WIFE

Faubus Seeks Solution Or Stay In Jail

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (UP)—A source very close to Gov. Orval E. Faubus said today the Arkansas chief executive was "ready to go to jail" if he and President Eisenhower cannot find a "reasonable solution" to the explosive Little Rock integration fight.

The source told United Press that Faubus has prepared a plan to present to Eisenhower as a way to ease the present crisis in the Arkansas state capital.

Faubus came to Rhode Island in the belief that if Eisenhower and top advisers reject the plan they will agree to at least a modified version of it.

Seeks Order Suspension

The governor's plan, the source said, was based on getting a suspension of the federal court order calling for immediate integration of Little Rock schools.

If the court order is suspended, then Faubus would make every effort to gain integration in the schools at the earliest practical time.

Faubus received no advance assurances that the President would accept it, the source said, but flew to Rhode Island with the hope some solution would be found that would be reasonable.

The governor was not planning to give up his fight which he has said has been motivated by a desire to preserve peace.

Situation Unchanged

The situation was unchanged as Faubus left Little Rock Friday.

National Guardsmen still remained on duty at Central High, where Negroes have been refused permission to enter in violation of federal court orders.

Faubus flew here late yesterday, spent the night in Prov-

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Elvis Parts With Buddies

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—Elvis Presley took issue with two of his musicians who said they had quit because they were "underpaid."

"I feel like they were hired out from under me," Presley said.

However, officials found no records to show whether there once were coal mines in this Lancashire area of the British midlands.

The collapsing earth destroyed several storm sewers and forced police to cut off gas and electricity to the area. Most of those evacuated were put up by friends or relatives, but others were forced to spend the night in emergency shelters.

Mrs. Quegan said the whole thing was a "terrible shock."

She said she and her husband first saw the hole when they got up Wednesday morning.

Development Group Gets Promotion Aid

The state Commerce Department announced today that the Bucks County Development Committee, Doylestown, has qualified for a \$14,462 matching fund grant.

The committee has raised an equal amount on the local level. J. Eric Jones, Industrial Development Bureau head, will present the formal grant agreement to committee representatives in Doylestown Monday night.

The funds will be used for general promotion of the county to attract new industry to the region. The department has approved this outline of promotion.

Democrats out-registered the Republicans in Bucks county, 2,393 to 2,055 during the traveling registration period from August 12 through September 11 — the last day for traveling registration.

The total county registration however, as of today, with Monday afternoon set as the dead-

Arson Evidence At Bristol



Evidence that this morning's fire at St. Ann's Convent-School, Bristol, was the work of an arsonist is held by Assistant Chief William Bolton, (left), Consolidated Fire Company, and Chief Wilbur Albright, (right), Bristol

No. 2. Borough Fire Chief Clifford Hagerman looks at the two bottles, which had been filled with gasoline, found at the origin of the fire.

(Courtesy-Times Photo)

Bristol Borough Officials Hunt St. Ann's Arsonist

By JIM GOODMAN
Courier-Times Staff Writer

Bristol Borough police and fire officials are today investigating their second arson fire within five weeks.

St. Ann's Convent-School building on Jefferson Ave., near Pond St., was the most recent arson victim early this morning.

Vincent Faragalli, Bristol Borough detective, is heading the investigation of the fire that damaged the library room of St. Ann's Convent-School on Jefferson Ave., near Pond St.

Few Blocks Away

It was just five weeks ago, early on the morning of August 9, that flames destroyed the Conoco Chemical Co. warehouse on Jefferson Ave. and Canal St., just a few blocks from the convent.

This morning's fire was not as serious but if it had gone undetected a little longer, it could have resulted in heavy property damage and the loss of life.

Gasoline Found

"This was definitely the work of an arsonist; there's no doubt about it," declared Bristol Borough Fire Chief Clifford Hagerman.

Backing up Hagerman's opinion are two bottles which had contained gasoline found near the

source of the fire: a frame window. The other was still intact.

Smoke filled several rooms of the convent forcing the nuns outside the building.

All five Bristol fire companies were called to the scene by the two-alarm fire. The St. Ann's

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Jaunty Hoffa Predicts Win

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Monday's Deadline If You Want To Vote

DETROIT (UP)—Hurricane Carrie aimed its 110-mile-an-hour winds toward the North Atlantic shipping lanes today with practically no chance of blowing onto any land areas.

The eight-day-old storm, which at one time had winds as high as 160 miles an hour, roared northward over the open sea at about eight miles per hour almost parallel to the United States coastline.

Reports early today located the center of the hurricane about 1,200 miles due east of Vero Beach, Fla.

Bristol Crime Decided By Bucks Court

By BOB REINHARDT
Courier-Times Staff Writer

William R. Smith, Jr., the 28-year-old former Levittown man who shot and killed his wife, Ethel, in Bristol early in the morning last September 9, was pronounced guilty of first degree murder in Bucks County Court yesterday and sentenced to life imprisonment.

The finding of the court and sentence were announced by President Judge Edward G. Biester as Smith stood before the bench with his two attorneys. Wearing a dark blue suit and a blue and silver tie, he listened calmly. But, as Sheriff C. LeRoy Murray and two deputies led him from the court room, bound for the Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia, a third had to follow to return the hat the prisoner had left on a chair.

Planned Guilty

Judge Biester handed down an opinion, prepared for himself and Judges Edwin H. Satterwhite and I. Louis Rubin, pronouncing Smith guilty of first degree murder.

Smith killed his wife, and with the same gun shot and injured Mrs. Helen Songer, 28, at Mrs. Smith's apartment, at 1800 Faraday Ave.

Smith had made the second degree murder guilty plea through his lawyers, J. Leslie Kilcoyne and Myron W. Harris.

The three judges, in the written opinion, reviewed the facts of the case as revealed in the trial.

Premeditated

They rejected the plea of the lawyers that it was not a premeditated murder because Smith was under the influence to alcohol and he could not contemplate a murder, and that he was not lying in wait to shoot his wife.

"His whole story of the occurrence," the judges wrote, "reveals a well conceived plan to kill his wife... In our opinion his conduct is not one of a person

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A fence serves many purposes for a Levittown who used ingenuity to put one up.

The story is on Page 20, with others about Lower Bucks people. They're part of the Magazine Page of the Courier-Times weekend edition.

Colder weather is nearing, though it's not obvious from the heat of the past few days. The weekend edition will be more welcome than ever, with its top news and features.

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Second Front Page

The Vacation's Over

Buchanan School To Open Monday

The James Buchanan School, and the Drive, 8:43, and Orchid Haines Road, Levittown, will open 9 a.m. Monday as announced previously, according to Dr. Guy F. Eberhart, superintendent of Bristol Township School.

Dr. Eberhart said workers are feverishly laying floor tile in the last of the 28 classrooms in preparation for the delayed opening. Other township schools opened Sept. 5, but work on the new Buchanan school was delayed by a labor dispute.

The superintendent said that "unless something unforeseen happens we will be ready to open Monday." He explained, however, that only the classrooms will be ready. The cafeteria and all-purpose room will not be finished, and work will still be needed to complete the halls.

There will be lights, water and toilet facilities, he said. Faculty members moved in books and supplies yesterday.

PIN ON CARDS

Dr. Eberhart requested that parents pin four-by-five cards on first and second grade children. The cards should indicate their names, addresses of the children as well as their bus stop and room number if the parents know them.

New bus stops have been added for children in the Oaktree Hollow section.

ADDITIONAL STOPS

These additional stops are: bus four — Overbrook Lane and Oaktree Drive, 8:45 a.m.; Openwood Lane North and the Drive, 8:43; bus 20 — Oval Turn Lane South and the Drive, at 8:45 and Orchard Lane and the Drive 8:47; bus 24 — Old Spruce Lane North

Deadline

(Continued From Page One) tial election in Bucks county was 66,557 Republicans (67,516 this year as of today); 41,832 Democrats (45,235 as of today); 3,111 no-party (3,032 this year as of today); 736 independents (771 this year as of today).

MONDAY DEADLINE

If you have not yet registered to vote in November you have until Monday from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m., to register at the county registration headquarters in the Scheetz Building, second floor, opposite the Courthouse. That is the deadline for all registrations for the coming election.

The largest single day's registration work by the traveling registrars was the last day — Wednesday — when a total of 495 were registered — 299 Democrats and 196 Republicans.

MIDDLETOWN TOPS

The greatest number of votes registered by the traveling registrars in any one district was Middletown Township, Lower No. 4 — 188 Democrats and 150 Republicans.

Next came Warminster Township No. 2 (Lacey Park), 111 Democrats and 56 Republicans.

Results of some of the larger Bucks county districts during the traveling registration are as follows:

Middletown Township (6 districts, 328 Democrats, and 299 Republicans).

Warrington Township (2 districts, 44 Democrats and 36 Republicans).

Morrisville (4 districts), 163 Democrats and 52 Republicans.

Lower Southampton Township (5 districts), 105 Democrats and 99 Republicans.

Warrington Township (2 districts, 44 Democrats and 36 Republicans).

Quakertown Borough, 19 Democrats and 15 Republicans.

Bristol Borough, 381 Democrats and 31 Republicans.

Bristol Township, 472 Democrats and 333 Republicans.

Death Notices

QUIEL — September 13, 1957. Carmela died at her home 813 Pont St. She was 65 years old. She was the widow of Antonio Quiel and has been a resident of Bristol for more than 50 years. Her survivors are the following children: Philip, Leo, Michael and John Quiel. There are 13 grandchildren surviving and 7 grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Maria DePalma of Mt. Vernon, New York. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral on Tuesday at 1 p.m. from the Gezelman Funeral Home, 430 Radcliffe St. Solemn Requiem Mass at 10 a.m. St. Ann's Church. Burial at St. Mark's Cemetery. Friends may call Monday evening.

VENERE — September 13, 1957. Rassaele of 313 Washington St. died Community Hospital, Philadelphia. He was 81. Mr. Venero who was a tailor by trade was a resident of Bristol for many years. He is survived by the following children: Mrs. Elizabeth Pechin, Joseph, Marion, John, Edward and Frank Venero, also surviving are 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren and a brother, Basilio Venero of Baltimore, Maryland. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral on Monday at 9 a.m. from the Gezelman Funeral Home, 430 Radcliffe St. Solemn Requiem Mass at 10 a.m. St. Ann's Church. Interment at St. Mark's Cemetery. Friends may call Monday evening.

How Often Do You Think?

Now, don't laugh it off. Sit back a moment and consider. How often DO you think?

A lot of men who are supposed to be pretty smart say that most of us do not THINK often enough.

The purpose of an ad is to get your attention and TO MAKE YOU THINK. We try to make our ads convincing. We try to sell you something that will interest you and cause you to come in and see us — to your benefit.

If we are not telling you what you want to know, tell us in the Community Survey.

Forget the awards! Help us to improve our ads by telling us what you think of them.

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Toll Commission Has 'Mardi Gras' Auction



Auction fever bit over 300 persons yesterday who turned out for the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission's sale of luxury items and articles collected instead of tolls. Picture (taken from balcony of the commission's Morrisville offices) shows the auctioneers at lower left hemmed in by part of the throng. (Courtesy-Times Photo)

800 Items Picked By Crowd Of 300 At Span Offices

By KAY BLINCOE
Courier-Times Staff Writer

Yesterday's auction at the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission was a carnival — a carnival ending an era of luxury spending in the Morrisville-based operations.

Approximately 800 items valued when new at \$12,500, were sold at auction for an estimated \$5,912.50. Part of the articles were accumulated by a former commission and deemed "not needed by the present board." Other items were collected over the years instead of tolls.

Over 300 persons gathered on the commission's driveway expecting a carnival, or the nearest thing to it. They got their carnival.

Crowds knotted around the auctioneers (the Brown Brothers of Doylestown), others lounged on chairs, desks, or cabinets placed in the lot for auction. The whole was dominated by a 12 by 16 foot oriental rug draped majestically from a second-story balcony.

The rug and its rubber under mat later brought \$400.

A station wagon pulled up in the September heat. Its occupants opened the rear deck and set up exclusive soft drink sales. Success was immediate.

"Listen to the prices they're getting," observers said. "A dollar and a half for a butter dish," a man said. "You'd better not catch my wife buying one at that price," he said determinedly. A blonde near him snatched up a canister set for \$4.50.

A dog on a leash tangled around a desk leg and looked helpless. His mistress bid \$9 for a leather brief case. It sold to a man for \$10.

Other items were: pressure cooker, \$13; ice bucket, \$9; wooden salad bowls, \$5; a polaroid camera, \$65; a radio, \$31; a typewriter, \$70; and a sound movie projector (the auctioneer said had been used "about once") sold for \$270. An extra \$25 got the buyer the projection screen.

Buying was fast and heavy. The sale started at 1 p.m. and ended four hours and 20 minutes later.

The auctioneer droned on. A copper chafing dish sold for \$10; a desk lamp for \$13. Silver plates and other silver ware (some bearing the initials of the span agency), sold for an average of \$7.50.

The crowd loved it all. A Jello mould left with a happy hunter \$1. A rolling pin and pitcher sold as a set for \$1.75. Mustard glasses brought \$2. Three wheel chairs brought a total of \$155.

The luxury items, stored for several years in what the commission called its "trophy room," dwindled. Articles left with the spannen when motorists lacked needed toll funds were paraded out.

A ball-point pen went for \$1.25; a watch for \$5. A quart of oil netted 50 cents and hydro-electric auto jack brought \$10.50.

Two "Ike" jackets and another coat were auctioned off as a unit. One, lettered "Ike Williams Boy's Club," an "Ike" Army battle jacket, and a suit coat all went for a total of 50 cents.

By 5:20 p.m. the carnival and

Grogans Announce Daughter's Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. Grogan, 41 Old Spruce Lane, Oaktree Hollow, Levittown, announce the arrival of their fourth child — a baby girl.

Mrs. Grogan gave birth to four-pound, one-ounce Geraldine Marie in Lower Bucks County Hospital on Sept. 11. Dr. H. Blake Hayman was the attending physician.

The Grogans' three other children are Patricia, nine, Kathleen, seven, and Howard J. Jr., one.

SPELLMAN CHIEF CHAPLAIN

VATICAN CITY (UP) — The Vatican announced today that the Sacred Congregation of the Consistory constituted the Catholic vicariate of the United States armed forces with Francis Cardinal Spellman as chief chaplain.

Cool And Dry For L. Bucks

Cool, dry weather was predicted for most of Pennsylvania today, as relief from the humidity the state endured the past few days.

The highest temperatures were expected to range from the mid and upper 70s in the northern portions to low 80s in extreme southeastern areas. Fair and mild weather was anticipated tonight with lowest temperatures in the low 50s throughout the state, except for the low 60s in southeastern portions.

Jimmy Hoffa

(Continued From Page One) their votes and I'll count mine," he said. "I know from telegrams and other sources that I have the vast majority of delegates pledged to me.

"If those fellows added up all the votes they claim to have, we would find 3,300 delegates at the convention instead of 1,885.

"This is a race of a young man against old men. At the end of the game, they'll be panting and I'll be calm. I do this running around 365 days a year. They are doing it in spurts to get a \$50,000 job and then they'll go back to sleep."

News Tip Call May Mean \$5.00

If you've got a keen sense for news, it could mean extra bucks for you. Whatever the news tip might be, just phone the News Tip Editor, Courier and Times, Windsor 5-1000 or Stillwell 8-3325. For the best tip of the week, the Courier and Times will pay \$5.00.

New Design for Blue Ridge School



Clara Barton Elementary School, to be built in Blue Ridge, Levittown, is designed around two courts. Classrooms open out onto the two center